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OR, THE

VIRTUES and EFFICACY

OF THE

WATER of GLASTONBURY

In the County of SOMERSET.

ILLUSTRATED

In above Twenty remarkable Cases faithfully described, of Persons who by the Use of that Water have been cured of Disorders of the most obstinate and deplorable Kinds : Such as the ASTHMA, RHEUMATISM, DROPSY, KING'S EVIL, DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS, WENS, CANCERS, ULCERS, OLD SWELLINGS, LEPROSY, &c.

These CASES, being but a few out of a vast Number and Variety that may be collected, are certain Facts, and fairly proved, either by the Affidavits and Hand Writing or Marks of the Persons cured, taken in the Presence of sensible honest People, who knew them and their Cases both before and after their Cure ; or by the Attestations of the Ministers and Church-Wardens of their respective Parishes ; or by credible and impartial Witnessess, living in Parts too remote from *Glastonbury*, to have any Connexion with the private Interests of that Place, that should in any Sense weaken the Sufficiency of their Testimony.

To which is prefixed a Letter of an ingenious and sensible Clergyman, taken from the *Sherbourn and Yeovil Mercury* of the 29th of April last.

Collected by an Inhabitant of *Bath*.

Are not Abana and Pharpar Rivers of Damascus, better than all the Waters of Israel ? May I not wash in them and be clean ? And he turned and went away in a Rage.
2 Kings, v. 12.

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T O T H E
R E A D E R.

THE strict Truth of the following Cases, is all I think my self any way concern'd in; and I presume I have established that, in a Manner that will hardly be doubted by the Generality of my sober Readers; since with the Accounts of the Disorders and Cures, the Names of the Persons, their Parishes, the Places of their Abode, and other plain Marks are given, by which any candid Enquirer, only by taking a little Trouble, may be fully satisfied in every Particular. This seems to be fair dealing. Besides, the Things recounted were not done in a Corner, in the Dark, but in the Face of Day, and to the Knowledge of many.

It happens nevertheless, that some, possibly to appear Wiser than their Neighbours, and frighten'd at the very Shadow of the Imputation of an IMPLICIT FAITH, seem to pique themselves upon the Affectation of listing in the opposite worse Extreme of IMPLICIT INCREDULITY, imagining this Humour, with the usual Flow of quibbling Objections and quaint Conceits that attend it, ought to pass for fine Parts, and more than ordinary Penetration; especially as it happens so much the Taste of the Times, and one of the chief Accomplishments aimed at, to distinguish the better Sort of People (as they are called) from the Herd of Mankind.

Some of this Species of smart Gentry, without farther Examination, tell us, that all these extraordinary Reports about the Glastonbury Water are meer Vulgar Stuff, old Wives Stories, Nonsense, and what not? For, say they, It is only the Rabble who are the constant Dupes of Error and Illusion, and
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the Inhabitants of Glastonbury, who find their Account in it, that Countenance and propagate those idle Tales.

Well, be it so: But the Question is not about Accounts, Interests or Opinions, but Fact; and Fact, as to Truth or Falshood, is inflexible. It will not bow the Knee to the Baal of any Opinion or Hypothesis whatsoever. Neither Suppositions, or Prejudices, or Interest, or Incredulity, will ever change it; and Truth is as true of a Beggar as an Emperor.

But admitting it were so, that none but poor ignorant or middling People have concern'd themselves about that Water, (and yet Persons of Sense and Property have applied there for a Cure, and obtained it) what then? Must I therefore, or any other plain Man who has seen a wretched Object that for a considerable Time together had consulted Physick and Surgery, had been turned over from Hospital to Hospital without the least Relief, a miserable helpless Cripple,

Cripple, and deemed incurable by every Body, should I, after all this, see this same Person, only by using that Water five or six Weeks, healed of her Sores, restored to Health and Spirits, and able to walk without Crutches ! Must I not, I say, believe my own Eyes, because this is a poor Woman ? Or must I doubt of what I see and feel, because one of these Theorists, who perhaps had never heard of it before, assures me with great Confidence, that it is not so ; That it could not be so, in the Nature of Things ; That Causes must be proportionable to their Effects ; That the slight Application of so incompetent an Agent could never effect so great a Cure ; That there is some Juggle or Fallacy at Bottom ; That Identity and Diversity are Points not altogether settled ; That the Motives of Credibility are inadequate ; The Laws of Assent many, and not sufficiently attended to ; and the eternal Reasons and moral Fittnesses of Things, beyond the Comprehension

hension of Vulgar Understandings ; with a Hundred more Assertions and Reasons of equal Weight and Value.

But let Causes and Effects be related to one another how they will, and Hypothesises be multiplied without End ; still, methinks, I can be much surer of what my own Eyes see, and my own Senses find, to be Matter of Fact, than I can be that it is not so, from all the Quillets and Wranglings and Refinements of any Philosophy whatsoever ; besides, if instead of one Instance like that just now given, there should be a great many full as surprizing, and all well proved ; and that the Senses of Numbers of other sober plain Men find them exactly as mine find them, Where is the Room for Doubt or Debate on any Hand ? Is not the plain undebauched COMMON SENSE of Mankind just as God gave it, more to be relied on in such Cases, and indeed in all Cases, than the depraved, topsyturvy, artificial, UNCOMMON SENSE of such

such Speculatists? A Sett of Self-approving Quibblers, who seem so little aware of the general Insufficiency of human Abilities for certain Enquiries; and so ignorant of their own Ignorance, they imagine they are able to cope with every Thing; and at every Turn tell us what God has done, or ought to have done, with as little Hesitation, as if they had been of his Cabinet Council from all Eternity! But let these Masters please to remember what the Almighty says to Job; as sensible a Sort of Man I doubt, and as deep in the Secrets of Providence as any of the Minute Philosophers; Let them I say remember this Question; Who is this that darkeneth Council by Words without Knowledge? Job xxxii. 2.

Certainly some remoter Ages have here and there furnished Examples of this Sort of choice Spirits, who think it beneath the Dignity of their finer Understandings either to think or believe

lieve like the common Mass of Mankind : It is even said, this Affectation was carried so far, that some have pretended to doubt of their own Existence ; but it has been the Case only of a few among the politer Heathens. It was never the Fashion ; the avowed Mode of Profession any where till of late. That indeed is altogether new ; but to have it the current Taste and Turn of any Christian Country ; of almost a whole People who call themselves Christians, is both new and amazing !

Let us look but a few Centuries back, and we shall find Piety, Simplicity of Heart, good Nature, Hospitality and Bravery, were the Characteristics of the English Nation ; but whether, in our happy Days of more Light and Liberty, it appears, we have improved or impaired, preserved or lost those Talents, must be left to the Determination of better Judges.

I must not however, conclude, without remarking, that as the IMPLICIT Unbelievers drive Things to a strange Length, one Way ; There are, who seem to lean a great deal too much the other ; Ascribing the Cures done at Glastonbury, not to any meer Mineral or Medical Virtues in the Water ; but to certain delegated, miraculous Powers of I know not what, Saints and Martyrs long ago dead ; and they even rake up the Ashes of the Prophet Elisba (2 Kings xiii. 21.) to countenance this Delusion. Charity should make us wish them in a better Road ; But it is to be feared they are incurable, or Dr. Middleton had, surely by this Time, cured them of the Malady of believing modern Miracles ; or indeed any Miracles at all.

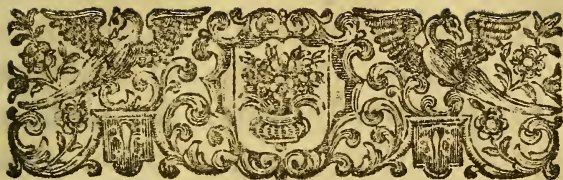
Before I quit, let me beg Leave to observe of Water-drinking Places in general ; That the Tendency of the Reports and Opinions of their Inhabitants, of any Waters but their own,
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may, without any great Skill in the Occult Sciences, be pretty easily foretold ; And as to the Physicians, Surgeons, and Apothecaries, I doubt, their kind Opinion is scarcely to be hoped for on Occasions of this Nature.

What I here chiefly aim at is, that People may neither be brazened, or quibbled, or laughed out of the Blessings, our all beneficent Creator has been graciously pleased to lay before them. What ? Though this Water may not be found to answer perhaps in every Disorder, and every Constitution ; Still there have been already such Things done by using it, Things so far exceeding all Expectation and human Probability, that no one, be their Condition almost ever so deplorable, ought to despair, 'till they have first tried it ; and may every one that tries, succeed ; and be thankful ; always remembering whence the Bounty flows ; and who it was that said ;

Were there not Ten Cleansed ? but where are the Nine ? There are not found that returned to give Glory to G O D, save this Stranger. *Luke* xvii. 17, 18.





THE
VIRTUES and EFFICACY
OF THE
WATER of *GLASTONBURY*.



ON Hearing many extraordinary Things of the *Glastonbury* WATER, and having a Child afflicted with the *King's Evil*, I went thither on *Tuesday* the 28th of *May* last, to try if I could find any that had been cured there of that Disorder. I found a vast Number of People in various Conditions ; of whom, some told me they were cured, but would nevertheless tarry the
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the Seven *Sundays*, which is the usual Way there ; and others that were much better, and waiting in Hopes of being perfectly well : But on hearing of a Girl about a Mile from *Glastonbury*, that was perfectly cured of the *King's Evil*, I went to her Father's House the next Day, that I might be assured of its Reality by Ocular Demonstration, where I saw the Girl, and took the Particulars of her Case in Writing as follow.



C A S E I.

E*leanor* the Daughter of *Ralph Rogers*, of *Street* in the County of *Somerſet*, Victualler, about 15 Years old, hath for 14 Years paſt been afflicted with the *King's Evil*, in ſo terrible a Manner, that ſhe hath not been able to move one of her Legs for a Year together, and had one of her Fingers cut off. She was
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an Out-Patient of St. *George's* Hospital for about Three Months, about eight Years ago. She remained in a miserable Condition till about 10 Weeks ago, when she began to use the *Glastonbury* WATER, by Bathing and Drinking every Day (except hinder'd by bad Weather) by Means whereof, all her Wounds are now perfectly heal'd; she can walk near as well as any of her Age, and is now in a very good State of Health.

This is a true Account of my Case,
as witness my Hand this 29th of
May 1751.

The Mark of *Eleanor* + *Rogers*.

This Eleanor Rogers is my Child; I declare this to be her Case, and truly stated; as witness my Hand this 9th of June 1751.

Ralph Rogers.

In the Presence of *William Parsons*, a
Farmer of *Elton* in this County.



C A S E II.

JAMES *Evans*, Barber, in *Wells*, about 61 Years old, hath for more than 26 Years past been afflicted with Swellings, and about 20 Wounds in both his Legs ; and with the *Rheumatism* in so grievous a Manner, more than 20 Years, that at Times he hath with Difficulty moved in his Bed ; and with the *Asthma*, that he breathed with great Difficulty. He hath been under the Care of People in the Way of Physick and Surgery, but found no Relief. About nine Weeks ago he began to use the *Glastonbury* WATER, by Bathing and Drinking, which he continued till about a Week past. He began to mend in about a Fortnight after the first Use of it, and is now perfectly recovered of all his Disorders,

Disorders, and in a very good State of Health.

This is a true State of my Case;
as witness my Hand this 31st
of *May* 1751.

The Mark of *James + Evans*.

June 1, 1751. Sworn before me
Samuel Hill.

N. B. *This Gentleman is a Canon Residentiary
of the Cathedral Church of Wells, and one
of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for
the County of Somerset.*

C A S E III.

JOH*N* Redwood, about seven Years
old, hath been for three Years
past afflicted with the *King's Evil*;
after having tried all Means that could
be thought of, and been terribly cut,
he about nine Weeks ago began to
use the *Glastonbury* WATER, and,
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by Drinking and Washing there, is now perfectly well.

The above *John Redwood* being my Sister's Child, is under my Care ; and I do declare the above to be a true State of his Case ; as witness my Hand this 31st of May 1751. *Tho. Bartlet.*

N. B. *This Thomas Bartlet is a Hatter in Wells, and lives in very good Repute.*

C A S E IV.

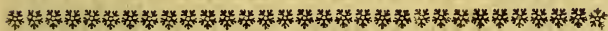
Robert Savage, of *Predy* in the County of *Somerſet*, Gentleman, hath more than ſeven Years paſt been afflicted with a hard Swelling, which he thought a *Wen*, on the Outſide the Thigh, near as big as a Wall-nut, which ſlipt from Place to Place, between his Hip and Knee. That on *Sunday* the 28th of *April* laſt, he began to drink of *Glaſtonbury WATER*, and waſh'd his Thigh all over, and continued

continued four several *Sundays*. After the second Application he found Relief, is now quite free from Pain, has not the least Appearance of the said *Wen*, and is as well as ever in his Life.

This is a true State of my Case ; as witness my Hand this 1st of *June* 1751.

Robert Savage.

Signed in the Presence of
Ezekiel Evans, Apparator at *Wells*.



C A S E V.

MARY the Wife of *William Crease*, of *Greenore Houses*, *Miner*, three Miles from *Wells*, between that and *Chewton Mendip*, in *Somersetshire*, about 40 Years old ; after a Lying-in she had about three Years past, either by a Cold, or some hurt

received, got a sore Breast, that by Degrees, and after a considerable Time, swelled and hardened greatly, till it broke, and was so excessively tender and painful, that she could hardly bear even her Cloaths to touch it. It pained her greatly both inwardly and outwardly, looked of a livid Colour, and was then immoveable. Thus it was about Half a Year ago, and grew much worse afterwards, when she took Advice upon it. In this Condition she was with great Difficulty and in Torture removed to *Glastonbury*; she drank of the Waters, washed her Breast with it, and took some of the Water home with her, which she warm'd and applied to her Breast almost daily. She had some small Matter of Ease from her Pain, but no other Change till the fourth *Sunday*, that the Breast began to soften and lessen, and thenceforward mended considerably. She is now very chearful, and in Hopes from

from this great Amendment of being quite well soon.

This a true State of my Case, as
Witness my Hand this 10th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Mary + Crease.*

Witness, *Charles Payne*, of *Chewton-Mendip.*

*This Mary Crease, is a Parishioner of mine,
I have heard of her Case, and believe this Ac-
count of it to be true.*

J. Tafwell, Vicar.

C A S E VI.

C*Harity* the Wife of *John Bull*, of
Chewton-Mendip, in the County
of *Somerset*, four Miles distant from
Wells, and about ten from *Glaston-
bury*, aged 48. She had the *Small-
Pox* when a young Woman, and to
take off a Redness it left in her Face,
she dipped her Head in cold Water
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two or three Times a Day for a whole Summer ; the Consequence was, that she got a severe Pain in her Head and Jaws, lost most of her Teeth, became short breathed, and grew Deaf of her Right Ear ; thus she continued more or less indisposed, and in Pain all along, but for the last 15 Years she pass'd scarcely a Week that she had not Pains and Shootings in her Head to such a Degree, that she often wished her self out of the World ; and the last three Years it was (if possible) yet worse, and more frequent, having at the same Time gradually almost lost the Sight of her Left Eye, so as not to be able to discern a Letter in a Book, or any other Object but dimly, and she was now quite Deaf of her Right Ear. About seven Years ago she began to grow so short breathed, that upon the least Motion she was obliged to rest herself at every Turn ; was seized with Asthmatick Fits at Night in Bed, and could not go any little Distance

Distance from Home but on Horse-back. She was about *Christmas* last seized with a continual Pain in her Right Shoulder, that made her pass her Days and Nights as upon the Rack, and almost took away the Use of that Arm. Thus on all Sides beset with Asthma, Weakness, Blindness, Deafness, and Pain intolerable, and wishing for Death every Moment, a Neighbour of her's, one *Samuel Smyth*, of the Parish of *Chewton*, who had himself been Asthmatick for above nine Years, and for the last Winter so helpless, and much swelled, as not to be able to do any Manner of Business; but by drinking a Glass of *Glastonbury WATER* every *Sunday* Morning fasting for five *Sundays* (and the Water brought to his House) was in every Sense relieved, and then so much better, that he did not Doubt of being as well as ever, by the Time his seventh *Sunday* was expir'd, which is a Rule observ'd; whereon this Farmer

mer *Smyth* advised her to try those Waters, and she did ; but for the first three *Sundays* drinking, found little Benefit, except a small Amendment in Point of Appetite, the least of which she had been long before an utter Stranger to : The *Friday* of her fourth Week's drinking, she began to see pretty plainly with her Left Eye, grew easier of all her Pains, but that deaf Ear pain'd her in some odd new Manner, her breathing grew quite easy, and she slept well ; and after the fifth *Sunday* could walk better and farther than she had been able to do these twenty Years.

June 10, 1751.

This is a true Account of her Case as taken from her own Mouth, and she is heartier, has more Appetite, and better Spirits, than she had for these thirty Years past ; she is quite free from Pain, can use her Arm, can hear
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very well, and is able to read middling Print with the Eye that was near blind.

I declare the above to be my Case.

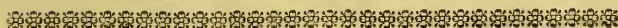
As Witness my Hand,

Charity Bull.

The said Charity Bull acknowledg'd every Particular herein mentioned, and her Hand Writing at the End, in our Presence this Day.

J. Tafwell, Vicar of Chewton-Mendip.

Tho. Green,
Will. Hippisley, } *Church Wardens.*



C A S E VII.

ANGEL Chappell, of Wells in the County of Somerset, Widow, about two Years past was violently seized with the *Rheumatism* (as supposed.) She applied to People in the Way of Physick, and was under their Direction all that Time, but found no Relief. On *Easter Sunday* last she began to use the *Glastonbury WATER*, by Drinking and Bathing,

continued *Seven Sundays*, and also used it at Home every Day. It purg'd her much. In about five Weeks she began to find Ease, grew daily better, till entirely free from Pain, and is now very well.

This is a true State of my Case ; as
witness my Hand this 3d of *June*
1751. *Angel Chappell.*



C A S E VIII.

JOH^N the Son of *Thomas Norman*, of *Yeovil* in the County of *Somerset*, about 16 Years old, had a Strain in his Right Ankle about two Years ago, which was a little relieved by a Surgeon. About three Months since, he was taken in the same Ankle in so violent a Manner, that he could not put his Foot to the Ground ; he was in extreme Pain, could not sleep, crying frequently in the Night ; till six Weeks ago he went to *Glastonbury*, where

where he began to use the Water by Bathing and Drinking, and so continued every *Sunday*. He was easier within a Week, and is now free from Pain, except when he walks.

This is a true State of my Case ;
as witness my Hand this 2d of
June 1751.

The Mark of *John + Norman.*

This John Norman is my Son, and I declare the above Account to be true ; as witness my Hand.

The Mark of Thomas + Norman.

Signed and declared in the Presence of.

John Pearce, *Serge-maker, in Culleton, Devon.*



C A S E IX.

GEORGE Holder, a Farmer, of Long Ashton in the County of Somerset, about three Years past hath had the *Rheumatism* ; but about six Weeks before *Christmas* last, by work-

ing in very rainy Weather, it increased so much, that he could not move Hand or Foot, and was confined to his Bed 13 or 14 Weeks. He came to *Glastonbury* about six Weeks ago, incapable of helping himself either as to Food or Apparel, hath constantly used the Water, and is now so much altered, that he hopes to go Home next *Sunday* on Foot.

The above is a true State of my Case ; as witness my Hand this 28th of *May* 1751.

The Mark of *George + Holder*.

Mr. George Fear, of Bath, declared he hath known the above George Holder many Years, who signed and declared this his Case to be true, in the Presence of him and his Wife.

C A S E X.

William Belcher, of *New-street*,
outside *Lawpres-Gate*, *Bristol*,
Broad-Weaver, hath more than 10
Years

Years past been afflicted with a Sort of a *Dropfy* ; he swelled greatly in his Stomach and Bowels, and was often in extreme Agonies ; hath been under the Care of Surgeons and Apothecaries, but found no Relief. On *Sunday* the 5th of *May* last, he began to use the *Glastonbury WATER* by Drinking and Washing, and hath drank it almost every Day since : Of which Disorder he believes himself perfectly healed, having not the least Appearance of a Swelling, and a Fortnight past entirely free from Pain.

This is a true Account of my Case ;
as witness my Hand this 1st of
June 1751.

The Mark of *William + Belcher*.

Sworn before me

Samuel Hill.



C A S E X I.

HONOR the Wife of *Charles Powel*, of *Minehead* in the County of *Somerset*, Weaver, about four Years past was afflicted with a bloody Cancer in her Left Hand, was under the Care of a Surgeon, who, a Quarter of a Year ago, told her he must cut off her Hand, which she absolutely refused. That on *Sunday* the 12th of *May* last, she began to use the *Glastonbury* WATER, by Bathing and Drinking; she found Relief within a Week, is now perfectly healed, and entirely free from Pain; but intends to tarry out the Seven *Sundays*.

This is a true Account of my Case; as witness my Hand this 2d of *June* 1751.

The Mark of *Honor + Powel*.

Signed in the Presence of John Peare.

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C A S E XII.

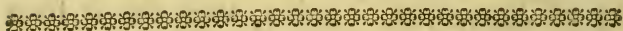
E *Lizabeth* the Wife of *David Moggridge*, of *Minehead* in the County of *Somerset*, Taylor, was about four Years past afflicted with a Swelling in her Left Leg and Hip, had at one Time 15 Holes in her Leg, and nine in her Thigh within a Fortnight of her being taken ill ; she was under the Care of a Surgeon, who heal'd all the Sores except one in her Leg, where was a continual Running till she came to *Glastonbury*, (this being the fourth *Sunday*) where she hath constantly Drank and Bath'd. She was better the first Week, is now intirely free from Pain, and believes herself compleatly cur'd, for that all her Wounds are now perfectly dry and well.

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'This is a true Account of my Case ;
as witness my Hand this 2d of
June 1751.

Elizabeth Moggridge.

*Sign'd and declar'd in the Presence of,
Ja. Wade, of Bristol.*



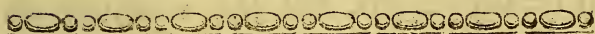
C A S E XIII.

G*George Spurlock, of East Wells in*
the County of *Somerset*, Yeoman, was about a Year past afflicted with the *Rheumatism* in his Right Arm, and entirely lost the Hearing of his Left Ear, having us'd Means without Advantage. About nine Weeks ago he began to use the *Glastonbury WATER*, by Drinking it, and Dropping some into his Ears ; he follow'd it seven *Sundays* ; he hath tried both Ears by Stoppage, and his Watch, and believes he can now hear with both alike. He thinks himself also restor'd to the Use
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of his Right Arm, for that he is not only able to do his common Business, but even to sling a Stone.

This is a true Account of my Case;
as witness my Hand this 2d of
June 1751.

George Spurlock.



C A S E XIV.

M*ARY* the Wife of *Charles Payne*, of the Parish of *Chewton-Mendip* in the County of *Somerset*, Butcher, now about 42 Years old, was about four Weeks before *Christmas* last taken ill; she purged and flooded violently for about a Month, which continued on her with excessive Pain, and with little or no Intermission, till it brought her so very low and weak, that she kept her Bed about 16 Weeks, by which she was emaciated to the last Degree, and it was still believed that

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every Day would be her last. About *Christmas* she got a violent Cough, and between-whiles vomitted up what seemed a Mixture of Blood and Phlegm, and was near ready to faint after every Fit of Coughing; this Branch of her Disorder proceeded thus till about *Lady-day*, when she was like to be suffocated, till she vomited up a very large Quantity of Blood and Phlegm, or Corruption, which People thought an Imposthume, and that relieved her breathing, but left her as weak as possible; and her Losses by Flooding, and her Pains still also continued as mentioned above, till almost dead; she was advised to try the *Glastonbury WATER*. It was brought to her House on a *Sunday* Morning, about eight Weeks ago, and drank of it, and continued to drink it every Day for the first Week, but it affected her Breathing, till she chang'd her Method, and only drank it on *Sundays*. Within 24 Hours of her first Drinking

Drinking it, she brought off certain coagulated Pieces that were surprisingly long and large. After the fourth *Sunday's* drinking of the Water, all her Discharges and Pains waisted; and she mended unaccountably fast, and the *Monday* after her six *Sundays* Draught, she walked above a hundred Paces from her own House, and back again in good Spirits, and every way well.

This is a true Account of my Case ;
as witness my Hand this 10th
of *June* 1751.

Mary Payne.

The said Mary Payne acknowledged every Particular here mentioned in our Presence,

J. Tafwell, Vicar of *Chewton-Mendip*.

Will. Hippsley, }
Tho. Green, } *Church Wardens.*



C A S E X V .

T *Thomas Whittington*, of *St Austin's* Parish in the City of *Bristol*, Hooper, about six Months ago had the Misfortune to cut some of the Tendons of his Right Hand with a Glass Window; on which he immediately applied to an eminent Surgeon, who in about two Months after healed it up; when he was free from Pain, but did not recover the Use of his Hand, nor could use it at all, so he thought it entirely lost. About eight Weeks ago he began to use the WATER at *Glastonbury* by Bathing and Drinking; about a Week after he found Relief, mended daily, hath now the Use of his Hand, tho' not perfectly, yet so as to be able to do a considerable Part of his Business, and hopes (from this great Amendment) of being as well as ever.

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This is a true State of my Case ; as
witness my Hand this 11th of
June 1751.

Thomas Whittington.

Witnesses,

Daniel Drake, Sadler.

*Thomas Sheward, a next
Door Neighbour.*



C A S E XVI.

MARY the Wife of *William Finner*, of *Chewton Stoke* in the County of *Somerset*, Yeoman, about 64 Years old, about ten Years past was taken ill of a *Fever*, which confin'd her to her Bed about three Weeks, when it pitcht in her Left Hip, which swell'd much, as did also both her Legs, which caus'd extreme Pain the greatest Part of her Time, but hardly ever free from Pain an Hour together ; was forced to creep up and down Stairs and about the House : About seven Weeks past she began to drink the
Glastonbury

Glastonbury WATER at Home, and on *Sundays* only continued it ever since ; within a Week of first Drinking it she found Relief, has been daily better since, is now quite free from Pain, and thinks herself well, except a little *Lame*.

This a true State of my Case, as
Witness my Hand this 11th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Mary + Finner.*

We whose Names are hereunto subscrib'd, have liv'd next Neighbours to this Mary Finner since Lady-day last, and from what we have known of her extreme Weakness from that Time, have Reason to believe her Case thus stated to be true ; that we saw her sign it, and acknowledge every Particular therein contain'd.

Witness our Hands,

Mary Castelman, sen.

Mary Castelman, jun.

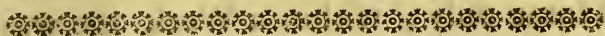
I believe this to be true.

John White, the only Church Warden.

The Minister was not at Home.

N. B. *The above-mention'd Mary Finner found no Relief or Abatement of her Pain, till*

till the Thursday after she drank the first Half Pint of Water, and that Water had been in her Custody seven Days.



C A S E XVII.

A *NN* the Daughter of *Hannah Langridge*, of *Henton Bluet* in the County of *Somerset*, in the 15th Year of her Age, hath for about a Year past been afflicted with a hard Swelling in the fore Part of her Neck, over the Wind-pipe, at first Appearance about the Size of a Hazel Nut, which gradually increas'd about nine Months to the Size of a large Hen's Egg. It was suppos'd by a Surgeon to be a *Wen*, who therefore thought he could do nothing for her without taking it out, which he did not choose to venture to do, it being in so tender a Place, from the apparent Danger of a fatal Consequence. It caus'd great Pain, was hot, and even fiery at Times for three or four Days together; she
began

began to use the *Glastonbury* WATER, by drinking a Glas full every Morning, and daily washing the *Wen* at Home only ; within a Week she was free from Pain ; about three Weeks after, the *Wen* began to grow better, and is now so well that she is entirely free from Pain ; hath had none since the first Appearance of Amendment, and it can hardly be discern'd that there was ever such Thing in her Neck.

This is a true State of my Case ; as witness my Hand this 11th of *June* 1751.

The Mark of *Ann + Langridge*.

I know this to be true.

The Mark of *Samuel + Gibbons*.

This Girl acknowledged this in our Presence.

Maurice Smith, *Rector* of Henton Bluet.

The Mark of *James + Carter*,
the only Church Warden.

C A S E XVIII.

Blessing the Wife of *Joseph Giles*, of *Frusbford* in the County of *Somerset*, Shoe-maker, hath, about three Years past, been afflicted with an *Ague* and *Fever*, which pitcht in her Left Leg, swell'd excessively, and caused Loss of Appetite, Weakness, and great Pain ; it broke about nine Months past ; she us'd Things from Surgeons and Apothecaries, but found no Benefit. About a Month past she began (at Home only) to use the *Glastonbury* WATER, by Drinking, and Washing her Leg every Day : She found herself better within a Week, daily grows better, is strong, hearty and chearful, and doubts not of being quite well in a few Days.

This is a true State of my Case ;

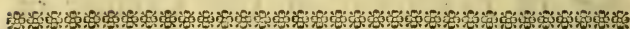
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as

as witness my Hand this 5th
of June 1751.

The Mark of *Blessing* + *Giles*.

Signed and declared in the Presence of
John Silby.



C A S E X I X .

A *Alexander Mackoon*, now in the
Poor-house in *East-Wells*, in
the County of *Somerset*, about 80
Years old, hath, for about 30 Years
past, been afflicted with *Deafness*,
which was occasioned by a Cold, but
a little recovered, till about 12 Years
past, when he was seized with such a
Deafness, that he could hear neither
Clock nor Bell ; and the Housekeeper
was obliged to hold his Mouth to
Mackoon's Ear, to make him under-
stand any Thing, and even then with
great Difficulty, being obliged often to
repeat twice or three Times. About
seven Weeks past he began to use the

W A T E R

WATER at *Glastonbury*, by Drinking, constantly keeping wet Wool in his Ears, and often dropping Water into them. He began to mend about three Weeks past, was daily better, can now hear not only Clock or Bell, but what People say to him in the common Way of Discourse; and allowing for his Age, he thinks he can hear as well as ever in his Life.

This is a true State of my Case,
as witness my Hand this 9th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Alexander + Mackoon.*

I know this to be true; as witness my Hand.

John Willmott, Housekeeper.

Wells City } Sworn before me
or Borough. } *John Long, Mayor.*

C A S E XX.

E*Lizabeth* the Wife of *Mathew Lancaster*, of *Wells* in the County of *Somerset*, *Mason*, hath for more than 17 Years past, been afflicted with sore
F 2 Legs,

Legs, which were greatly swelled, had more than 20 Holes, which caused great Pain almost continually. She was under the Care of a Surgeon more than seven Years, without any Benefit. About five Weeks ago she began to use the WATER at *Glastonbury*, by Drinking and Bathing ; and continued the Use of it daily ; within a Week she found herself better, hath mended daily, all the Holes in both her Legs are now quite healed, hath been free from Pain a Week past, wherefore believes herself cur'd.

This is a true State of my Case ; as
witness my Hand this 9th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Elizabeth + Lancaster.*

*I know my Wife's Case to be as thus described,
as witness my Hand.*

The Mark of *Mathew + Lancaster.*

*Signed and declared in the Presence of
Rachel Lovel.*



C A S E XXI.

I*Sabella Harris*, of *Great Taller*, six Miles from *Burford* in the County of *Dorset*, about 20 Years old ; had the *Small Pox* about a Year and nine Months ago ; after which she got a Cold in her Loins. It was the Opinion of several Physicians (from whom she had no Benefit) that she had the Gravel in her Kidneys, for that she walked with a Stick in one Hand, resting the other on her Knee, stooping or leaning forward, excessively and continually in great Pain : On the 4th of *May* last, she began to drink the WATER at *Glastonbury*, which she daily continued ; she never used the Stick after the first Week, grew better daily, walks now with a very small leaning, and doubts not of a perfect Cure.

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This is a true State of my Case ; as
witness my Hand this 9th of
June 1751.

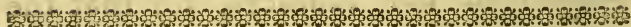
The Mark of *Isabella + Harris.*

Signed and declared in the Presence of

William March, of East Pennard
in Somersetshire.

Ann Silcot, of Row Banton *near*
Taunton in Somersetshire.

William Guppel.



C A S E XXII.

A *NN Brice*, of the City of *Wells*,
Widow, about *Christmas* last
was afflicted with a *Swelling* in both
her Legs, which caused excessive Pain.
On *Easter Sunday* last she began to
use the WATER at *Glastonbury*, by
Drinking and Washing. It was three
Weeks after the first Use of it, till she
could find any Benefit, after which
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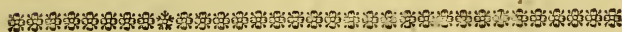
she mended daily, and is now very well.

This is a true State of my Case ; as
witness my Hand this 8th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Ann + Brice.*

The said Ann Brice acknowledged this before the Reverend Mr. Payne, one of the Prebendaries of the Cathedral Church of Wells.

N. B. *She lives within that Liberty.*



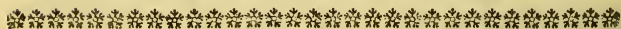
C A S E XXIII.

JOHN Compton, of Shepton Mallet in the County of Somerset, Clothier, hath for ten Years past been afflicted with a strong *Scorbutick Humour*, which appear'd in more than a hundred Scabs (or the like) in both his Arms, and occasioned great Pain at Times ; he had also a Pain in his Knee, which he thought *Rheumatick*. On *Easter Sunday* he began to use the
Water

Water at *Glastonbury*, continued it constantly at Home by Washing and Drinking: He began to mend the first Week, grew better daily; but after the fifth *Sunday* a vast Number of Boils near as large as a Nutmeg, appear'd in his Arms, which soon dropt away, and is now perfectly clean and well as ever in his Life.

This is a true State of my Case;
as witness my Hand this 8th of
June 1751.

John Compton.



C A S E XXIV.

H*Annab* the Wife of *John Tucker*, of *Bradford* in the County of *Wilts*, Scribler, about 30 Years old, hath about a Year past been afflicted with a strong Humour in her Neck, which rose in two Places; both Places broke and runn'd continually; she applied to an Apothecary, who at first thought

thought them *Wens*, but they have since appeared to be the *King's Evil*: Last *Sunday* was the third of her using the *Glastonbury WATER*, by Drinking and Washing only at Home, but used it every Day by Washing three or four Times and Drinking; she found herself better the first Week, daily grows better, and her Pain abates, so as she Hopes to be well soon.

This is a true Account of my Case;
as witness my Hand this 5th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Hannah + Tucker*:

Sign'd and declar'd in the Presence of,
John Lewey, a very near Neighbour:



C A S E XXV.

T*Thomas Bartlett, of East Chin-*
nock near Yeovil in the County
of Somerset, Yeoman, about 36 Years
old, hath for 15 Years past been grie-
G *vously*

vously afflicted with a strong white *Leprosy* all over his Body ; hath applied to several eminent Physicians, one of whom directed him to wash his Body five Times a Day with white Hellebor, which occasioned Smarts almost to a Torture, and had like to have turn'd his Brain. He desir'd to undergo a Salivation, choosing rather even to die than live in such Misery. On the 4th of *May* last he began to drink the WATER at *Glastonbury*, and used it daily by Drinking and Washing ; within a Week he found Relief, has since been daily better, and is now perfectly clean and well.

This is a true State of my Case ; as witness my Hand this 9th of *June 1751*.

Thomas Bartlett.

Signed and declared in the Presence of

Dinah Powell, of Bristol.

William March.

Ann Silcott.

William Guppel.

N. B.

N. B. *This Mr. Bartlett would have sworn to the Truth of, but as it must have been done before a Magistrate of Glastonbury, it was not consistent with my first Intention, viz. That no Person of that Place should have any Thing to do in these Accounts; and as I took this Case in a Coffee House, in the Presence of many whom I never saw before, I desir'd the above four Witnesses, who appear'd unexceptionable, to attest it, who, when they saw his Skin, were fully satisfied of the Truth of it, and live at a great Distance from each other: And I am credibly inform'd that Mrs. Powel lives in St. James's Parish in Bristol, and of some Thousands in Fortune.*



C A S E XXVI.

Daniel Packer, of *Durham* in the County of *Gloucester*, Husbandman, hath about 20 Years past been afflicted with a very large *Swelling* in his Right Leg, had six Holes in it at one Time, which frequently occasioned excessive Pain, particularly in the Night-Time; hath been under the Care of several Surgeons and Apothecaries,

thecaries, but found no Benefit. About a Month ago he went to *Glastonbury*, Drank and Bathed in the Water there four several *Sundays*, and constantly used the Water at Home, by Drinking and Washing ; within a Week he found Relief, hath been since daily better, entirely free from Pain about a Week, hath now no Hole in that Leg, and believes himself perfectly cur'd ; but nevertheless intends to attend at *Glastonbury* till the Seven *Sundays* are expired.

This is a true State of my Case ;
as witness my Hand this 8th of
June 1751.

The Mark of *Daniel + Packer.*

Wells City	} Sworn before me
or	
Borough.	} John Long, Mayor.

GREAT and MARVELLOUS
are thy Works, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY ;
just and true are thy Ways, thou KING of
SAINTS. Revelations xv. 3.

APPENDIX.



APPENDIX.

The following is a genuine Copy of a Letter wrote by an ingenious and worthy Clergyman, to a Friend ; which we have procured, to give our Readers some Account that may be depended on, of the real Efficacy of the WATERS at GLASTONBURY; and we can assure our Readers, that it was wrote by a Person no ways interested in the Affair, nor no ways subject to be imposed upon ; and it is inserted here without any Consideration of Interest, and without any Application.

S I R,

IN Consequence of my Journey to Glastonbury, I write you this, agreeable to my Promise, concerning
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the new discovered WATERS there ; which are now growing high in Fame, and so much resorted to, that *Sunday* last, at Four o'Clock in the Morning, I could not approach the Spring nearer than the Distance of about ten Yards : There was such a Multitude of Horse and Foot surrounding the Spout of Water, going to, and coming from it, that to ascertain their Number would be extremely difficult, and to recount it, a seeming Affront to Probability. If at this Spring (as anciently at the Pool of *Bethesda*) the first only who came to the Water could be healed, many, perhaps, might be murdered, before one could be cured : However, after some waiting, a Glass of this Water was delivered to me, not differing in Colour, and but little in Taste, from common Water : This, I immediately reflected, can have no peculiar Virtue to effect such *wonderful Cures* ; it must be all Sham and Delusion ; but observing for some Time,

Time, the Numbers attracted by it, and the Eagerness with which every one drank of it, as of the Fountain of *Life*, I considered that all could not surely be embracing Clouds only for Weeks together, and that there might be some real Foundation in Truth for all this ; therefore determined to examine it to the Bottom, by tracing the Stream to its Origin ; and in this retrograde Enquiry, I found that the Water flowed open and above Ground in a Channel, about half a Mile from its visible Head, a Well called the *Bloody Well*, which arises from the Foot of the lofty *Torr* : The Water in this Well tasted of a Mineral ; which, on Trial, seem'd to have something of Allum, and nothing of Steel in it : But the Discovery of its Composition and Qualities must be left to the Chymical Examination of the Sons of *Esculapius*, who at present speak of it with great Derision, tho' divided in their Opinion of it, and perhaps

perhaps will never so agree in Sentiment, as to recommend it to their Patients instead of Drugs.

Though the Inhabitants of *Glastonbury* proclaim not indeed their Waters, as the *Ephesians* of old did their *Diana*, yet marvellous is the Account of their Virtues from different People you there meet with ; the *Lame* walk, the *Blind* see, the *Lepers* are cleansed, and all Diseases are, as it were, instantaneously cured : But as in this Age we have no Reason to expect, or Ground to hope for such *extraordinary Favours* from HEAVEN, I shall leave such Legendary Stuff to the superstitious Vulgar, and Report to you only what I have myself seen, and have rational Evidence for :

Matthew Chancellor, to whom the Visionary Direction was given to drink of this Water, one Glass seven *Sunday* Mornings, was accordingly cured of an *Asthma* ; under which Disorder he
had

had laboured many Years : This he is ready to depose on Oath, or confirm by Sacrament : He is generally present every *Sunday* Morning at the Spring, active in recommending the Waters, and full of Praises and grateful Acknowledgments to God for the great Blessing he has received from them.

Mrs. *Fussel*, who lives in Credit near the Water, assured me, and a Gentleman with me, (who knew her in her Illness) that by drinking a Glass of this Water seven *Sunday* Mornings, and at no other Time, she was also perfectly cured of an *Asthma*; which she was afflicted with for twelve Years to such a Degree, that she was unable to walk, and often breath'd with such Difficulty, that she was sometimes carried without Door for Life : She is about Fifty Years of Age, and now enjoys sound Health.

Mary Bennet, of *Street*, about 18 Years old, has drank of this Water four *Sunday* Mornings only, for a most violent *Leprosy*, from her Birth, which seems to be almost rooted out; the Branches are fallen, the white Scales are already gone off, her Skin is smooth, and nothing to be seen on it but red Spots: She has, after so happy a Beginning, very reasonable Hopes of being absolutely cleansed from this nasty Disease, for which she was two Years at the *Bath* to no Purpose.

Mrs. Hacker, of *Somerton*, who has for seven Years had a Cancerous Humour in her Tongue, declared to me in serious Truth, that from the second *Sunday* of her drinking the Water, she has felt no Pain, Shootings, nor has any Complaint in her Tongue, or any Part near it; which usually happened, when any Thing was applied to repel the Humour: The Surgeons have in this Case been often consulted, without
much

much Benefit. There is a Scurff still remaining on her Tongue, which she is in great Hopes will be quite carried off with the Disorder, when the Course of the seven Times drinking is finished, five only being past; as many others are of being freed from their various Ailments, who drink the Water in this Manner, only a Glass on *Sunday* Morning, for seven successive *Sundays*.

This Circumstance I think is of a very particular and extraordinary Kind, and vastly beyond the common Course of Nature, or Power of Alteratives. If, then, so small a Quantity of Water as seven Glasses, taken in seven Weeks, have cured, and should continue to cure, Diseases grown obstinate by Length of Time, may it not without the Imputation of Credulity or Enthusiasm be ascribed to something supernatural? The drinking this Water on *Sunday* Mornings only, was at first

very exactly adher'd to, and is the Method now usually observed by the Populace ; but there are many Persons now residing at *Glastonbury*, who use the Waters every Day. I saw one *Betty Durston*, of *Brent*, a Girl of about Fifteen, who being for some Years unable to move her Back, Legs, &c. by drinking and bathing in the Water every Day for three Weeks, can now raise herself from her Chair, and stand upright : There is an Instance of great Relief in a paralytical Case, which you may communicate to Mr. ———, with my Compliments. One *Harding* of *Bridgewater*, whom I knew, was so weaken'd in his Nerves by a Stroke of the *Palsy* about three Years since, that he could not speak intelligibly, or scarce walk at all : He has only drank the Water for four *Sundays*, and so far recovered the Use of his Tongue, as to talk without Muffling, and the Strength of his Legs, as to walk stoutly the Streets. It was reported

ported that a Man of *Wells*, or in that Neighbourhood, was cured of Blindness, and that a blind Boy of *Kingsdon*, could see a little, after twice drinking the Water : The latter, in my Way Home, I called on, but found him unable to distinguish any Objects, and absolutely dark. The Waters, perhaps, in Time, may remove the Cause of his Blindness, which are two thick Films over his Eyes, that never before were in the least affected by the Meridian Fierceness of the Sun, but now cannot bear at any Time its Shining : These Films appear ragged, which were before smooth, and are probably growing thinner, and wasting away. The Father of this Lad has, by drinking and washing his Leg in this Water about 10 Days, reduced a hard Swelling in his Ankle, the Consequence of a *Fever* last *August*, and can now move the Joint freely, which was before immoveable.

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These are a few Instances of the *great Efficacy* of these WATERS: They will, I hope, happily effect the Cure of the many Distempers for which they are now drank, and continue to retain their Virtue for the Good of Mankind, and the Revival of old decay'd *Glastonbury*. Four or five Weeks will, I presume, determine the Fate of this WATER, (the Generality being in the Midst of the Seven *Sundays* Drinking) whether it will be deservedly entitled to the Esteem of the *Learned* and *Wise*, or fall, with the late celebrated *Tar-Water*, into Neglect, and give Way to something more *New*.

I am,

April 23,
1751.

S I R,

Your humble Servant.



SARAH the Wife of *Edward Poole*, alias *Powell*, born at *Tedbury* in the County of *Gloucester*, but now an Inhabitant of *Landoylow* in *Carmarthenshire*, *South Wales*; about a Year and Quarter past, after being delivered of a dead Child, was taken of a *Cancerous Humour* in her Right Breast, which fell in her Right Hip and Leg; it was six Weeks poultifing: She was under the Care of several eminent Surgeons, who treated her with the utmost Tendernefs and Compassion. In *April* last she was recommended to the Infirmary at *Bristol* by Mr. Sheriff *Durben*; after which, on hearing of the *Glastonbury WATER*, she was convey'd thither in extreme Misery and Torture, where she arriv'd on *Saturday* the 27th of *April*; her Leg seem'd to mortify, and stunk to that Degree, as a Woman who lodged in the same Room with her, was (by
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the offensive Smell) obliged to leave the Room at One o'Clock in the Morning. She was assisted to the Water on *Sunday* Morning about Eight o'Clock, when her Leg was put into the Cistern, or Place that holds the Water, and while the Shoot was running on the Swelling on the Inside her Right Hip, in about three Minutes the Swelling broke, from which came much Corruption, the Smell whereof offended and greatly surpriz'd many there, which eas'd her to that Degree, that she was able to walk to her Lodging only by resting on a Man's Arm. She hath daily us'd that Water by Drinking and Bathing, and finds herself so well recover'd, as to be able to walk even without a Stick, whereas before she could not without a Crutch and Stick, which Crutch is now fix'd over the Healing Water. She is now perfectly hearty and chearful, and in Hopes of being as well as ever, her Wounds being all but three heal'd, and

and neither of them broader than Six-pence.

This is a true State of my Case ; as
witness my Hand this 29th of
May 1751.

The Mark of *Sarah + Poole,*
alias *Powell.*

This she would have sworn, which
I refus'd for the Reason already given
in the *Leprosy* Case.

N. B. But as I was at *Glastonbury*
again the *Sunday* following, and see-
ing many reputable People gather'd
about this Woman near the Healing
Water, asking her Questions, I ob-
serv'd, that I would read her Case to
them, as I took it from her own
Mouth the *Wednesday* before ; and
as it was neither sworn to, or attested,
desir'd they would observe whether
she would own every Particular, and
they attest it, which they readily a-
greed to.

Sunday, June 2, 1751.

We whose Names are hereunto subscribed, heard the aforefaid *Sarah Poole*, alias *Powell*, acknowledge every Particular herein contain'd.

Jos. Larrance, of Axbridge in Somerset.

The Mark of *Edward + Edney, of Woodborough-Green near Axbridge.*

George Beackam, of the same Place.

N. B. She then told me, that two of those three Places in her Leg, mentioned no broader than Six-pence, was then much better.

As there hath been different Reports about this Woman's Case, I waited on Mr. *Durben* at *Bristol*, who, she said, recommended her to that Hospital, that I might know the Truth ; who according to his known good-natur'd Disposition, very freely told me, he could not remember such a Woman, from the many Applications he had, but it might be true, and gave me Leave to make use of his Name.

Name. I was also at the Infirmary at *Bristol*, and saw the Book, and in it as follows, *viz.* “ *Sarah Poole, Temple Parish*, recommended by *John Durben, Esq;* enter’d an Out-Patient *April 22d* last, Scorbutick Ulcers in her Leg, suspected of the Itch, wherefore not admitted into the House. She had proper Things only once, and those the Day she came, and never came after. She was order’d under the Care of Dr. *Cadogan*, and Mr. *Ford* as Surgeon.”



M *Atthew Chancellor*, of the Parish of *North Wooton*, three Miles North East of *Glastonbury* in the County of *Somerset*, Yeoman, doth hereby declare, that he hath made Oath before one of his Majesty’s Justices of the Peace, That about the Middle of *October* last, he had a violent Fit of the *Asthma* in the Night-Time ; after which he fell on Sleep, and dream’d he was some Way above

Chain-Gate, in the Road above the Wall of *Glastonbury Abbey-Gate*, where he saw some of the finest of Water in the Horse-track ; when he imagined he kneeled immediately, and drank some of it ; and as soon as he was rais'd again on his Legs, there was seemingly a Person stood by him, pointing with his Finger, and saying, *Take you a clean Glass, and drink you of this Water, a Glass full Seven Sundays following in the Morning fasting, and you will find a perfect Cure of your Disorder.* He ask'd, Why Seven *Sundays* in the Morning ? He said, The World was made in six Days, and on the Seventh God Almighty rested from his Labour, and blessed it above all other Days. Moreover, he said, Where this Water descends from, is holy Ground, where a vast Number of Saints and Martyrs have been buried ; when he added something concerning the Baptism of the ever Blessed JESUS in the River *Jordan*. He

is not certain whether it was *Wednesday* or *Thursday* Night he thus dreamed; but the *Sunday* following he went to *Glastonbury*, and took a clean Glas, went to the Shoot, dipt the Glas into the Shoot three several Times, drank to the Value of half a Noggin, and returned God Thanks; and so continued every *Sunday* till the Seven *Sundays* were expired: From which Time he thought himself perfectly cured of that Disorder, which he laboured under more than 30 Years.

This is a true Account of my Case;
and the Substance or Meaning of
what I have made Affidavit to;
as witness my Hand this 2^d
of *June* 1751.

Matthew Chancellor.

I have known *Matthew Chancellor*,
of the Parish of *Wooton*, near *Wells*,
30 Years, and have no Reason to
doubt his Veracity in what he asserts

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as to the Benefit he has received by the *Glastonbury* WATER.

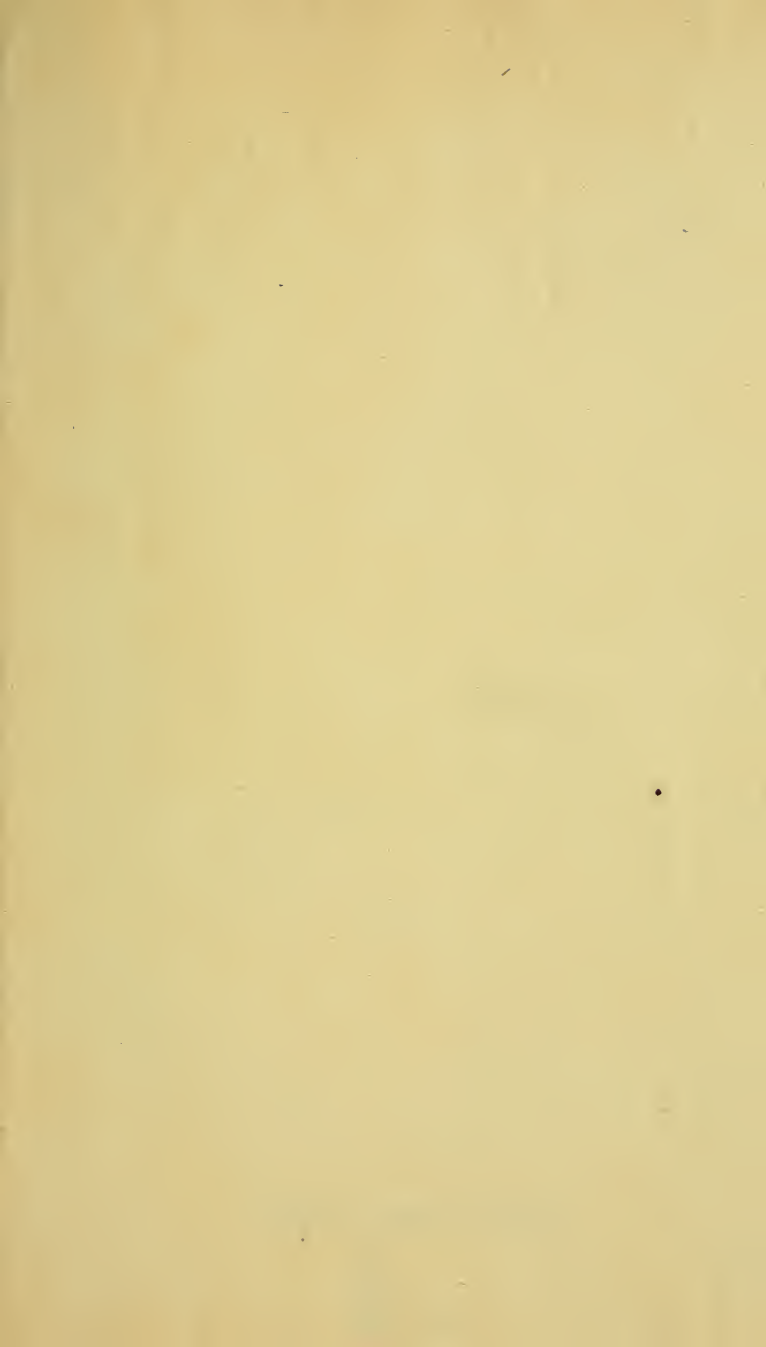
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N. B. This Gentleman is a Practitioner in Phyfick near *Wells*, is well known there, and I never heard that his Veracity was ever question'd.

As the innumerable Crowds of People of various Circumstances who have lately resorted, and continue to resort to *Glastonbury*, have been occasioned by the above Dream, and as the Dreamer's Character hath been represented to a very great Disadvantage, I made it my Business to watch an Opportunity of a Quarter of an Hour's Conversation with him, which I obtained on *Sunday* the 2d of *June*, when I not only dined, but was with him near three Hours. As I have but little Notion of Dreamers, so I have less of meddling with Peoples Characters, unless to their Advantage. I was as particular as possible in my Observations

servations and Questions, that I might be able to furnish the Publick with a true and impartial Account. I ask'd him what Religion he professed? He said the Church of *England*, adding, he was baptized, educated, and hath trained up his Family in it. I ask'd him whether he had any Notion of the superstitious Observations made on the Water, by rising from the Bones of the Saints, &c. as his Dream seemed to suggest? He could not but say, that as his Experience in his Recovery, which he would declare were he in his last Moments, was verified in every Thing the next *Sunday*, which he imagined in his Dream, and recovered accordingly, after the Seven *Sundays* drinking, for which he could never be sufficiently thankful, he could not but seem to suppose that might be, as well as what he had really experienced. I ask'd him many other Questions, too tedious here to mention, and in different Words; and must declare,

clare, that I could not discover any Self-Contradiction in the whole Conversation, any Thing in him artful or designing, or the least Symptom from his Breath, to dispute the Reality of his Cure. I think he told me he was about Sixty Years old, hath about Forty Pounds a Year Estate of his own, on which he hath, with some Difficulty, trained up six Children And as to the Calumny rais'd on him of his dreaming of this Water's Efficacy on a *Sunday* only, because his Circumstances were such, that he could not appear on any other Day, I am very credibly informed (not by *Glastonbury* People) to be without Foundation, and his Character more agreeable to the Rules of Morality, than theirs who have taken Liberties with it, can possibly be to that Charity which is the very Characteristick of, and ought to be inseparable from a Christian.



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